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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action of November 5, 2002, kindly enter the following Amendment:

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 5-11 remain in the Application. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

Claims 1-2 and 6-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C.§ 103(a) as unpatentable over Lappington, et al. (US 5,734,413) in view of Lyons (US 5,864,557). Applicant respectfully traverses.

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